

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Nobuo Ando et al.

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For: ELECTRICAL STORAGE DEVICE AND  
MANUFACTURING METHOD OF SAME

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Examiner: Gregg Cantelmo

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND  
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 29, 2009, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks. A petition for a one-month extension of time and the accompanying fee is being filed concurrently herewith.

It is believed that no additional fees are required for these submissions. However, should the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determine that any fee is required or that any refund is owed for this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any deficiency and/or credit any refund owed to our Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.